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Dear Congressman Camp:

Honorable Dave Camp House of Representatives 511 Cannon Building

This is in reply to your letter of February 18, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituents' concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz. the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Shiben

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RE: PR Docket #92-235

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing on behalf of several constituents who have contacted me regarding a proposed rule before the Commission.

The rule in question regards the frequencies currently allocated for use by, among others, radio controllers both for air and ground usage. The concerns of the hobbyists in my district include the likely reduction in the usability of frequencies currently assigned for recreational model use. This could lead to an increase in the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

These model enthusiasts go to great lengths to ensure the safety of the operators and bystanders as well as the protection of property. If the number of usable radio-control frequencies is decreased, as is proposed by the Commission, the few remaining frequencies could likely become congested and endanger users, the public, and property.

Realizing that the time period for public comment on this issue ends on February 26, 1993, I am asking that you provide this letter timely consideration. Please send your response to my Washington Office.

Thank you in advance for your timely assistance in this matter.

With warm regards,

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DAVE CAMP

Member of Congress

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